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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: House Armed Services Committee Viewing of the Film
"True Sons of the People" on 16 April 1969

25X1A 1. On 16 April 1969, the Soviet Film "True Sons of the People" was presented in the main Committee Room 2116, RHOB, House Armed Services Committee. Mr. Bruce Clarke, D/OSR, gave a few introductory remarks outlining the scope of the film and introduced the Agency narrator. [] OSR, provided appropriate translation of the soundtrack and a running commentary on the military hardware and systems portrayed during the running of the film.

2. Chairman L. Mendel Rivers and Representative Melvin Price, of the CIA Subcommittee, and some 17 other members of the Full Committee were present. Also present were 12 members of the Armed Services Committee staff.

3. At the invitation of Chairman Rivers, Major General McChristian, Army; Rear Admiral Harlfinger, Navy; Major General James Philpott, Air Force; Colonel Ed Winn, Air Force; and Colonel Dixiolo and Colonel McComb, Marine Corps, were also present.

25X1A 4. General comment by the members at the conclusion of the showing indicated almost uniform reaction that the film should be made available, if possible, for viewing by the American public. Chairman Rivers was most complimentary of the presentation by Messrs. Clarke and [] but noted in passing that, very possibly, showing to the American public would serve Soviet interests as much as American interests.

25X1A 5. Messrs. Clarke and [] were accompanied by Messrs. [] Assistant Legislative Counsel. 25X1A

6. There are no follow-up actions from the presentation.

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